



PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Santosh S. Rao, Gopal Sharma, Poonam Dhavale  
Assignee: VERITAS Operating Corporation  
Title: System And Method For Resolving Cluster Partitions In Out-Of-Band Storage Virtualization Environments  
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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully petitions for a one-month extension of time within which to respond outstanding Final Office Action dated January 27, 2006, such extension allowing the undersigned until May 27, 2006, to respond.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the fee of \$120.00 to Deposit Account No. 502306.

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